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Applicants in the above-identified patent application hereby reaffirm their claim to the right of priority pursuant to 35 USC §119 based upon PCT application Serial No. PCT/IB99/00712, filed April 9, 1999.

As required by the Statute, a certified copy of the PCT application is being submitted herewith. Applicants request this certified copy of the foreign priority application be made of record in the subject application pursuant to MPEP 201.14(b).

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